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Mr. M. R. James, Forest Supervisor
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Dear Mr. James:

Thank you for sending the petitions and bumper strips which I requested.

In reply to your letter, in my correspondence with Mr. Werner I have not indicated bad feelings toward him. I realize that many Forest Service policies and decisions are made in Washington. This is unfortunate in many cases such as Mineral King, where I am sure, some of the people who have made decisions are really not aware of the real nature of the area, or of the disastrous results which are very real possibilities. If Mr. Werner feels that bad feelings have resulted, I am sure it is because he realizes that the confiscation of property is a far different matter than the removal of temporary signs. Surely Forest Service employees must realize that citizens have the right to petition their government.

I wish to request a permit to have signs and petitions available next summer at Mineral King from the middle of June until the middle of September so that the people who actually use the area will have an opportunity to express their wishes. This seems fair as material regarding the proposed Disney development was on display all last summer at the Mineral King Guard Station. Can you advise me on the proper procedure for obtaining such approval?

Sincerely,

Mrs. Richard Koch

cc; Alan Cranston
Michael McCloskey
Robert Werner
Jerome Waldie

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